

# High Resolution SPECT/CT Imaging of Systemic AA-Amyloidosis in Mice

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- Provide the mouse model of amyloidosis
- Study the *in vitro* reactivity of anti-amyloid antibodies
- Therapy with anti-amyloid antibodies for AA-amyloidosis
- Histological, immunohistochemical, quantification analyses
- Program management

↕ SUBCONTRACT

Oak Ridge National Laboratories (ORNL)

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- SPECT/CT instrumentation
- Radiochemistry and radiolabeling
- SPECT/CT image analysis
- Automated amyloid quantitation of SPECT

↕ COLLABORATION

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**J. Gregor**

- SPECT/CT image reconstruction
- High performance computing

CO-INVESTIGATOR

CONSULTANT

Royal Free and University Hospital of London

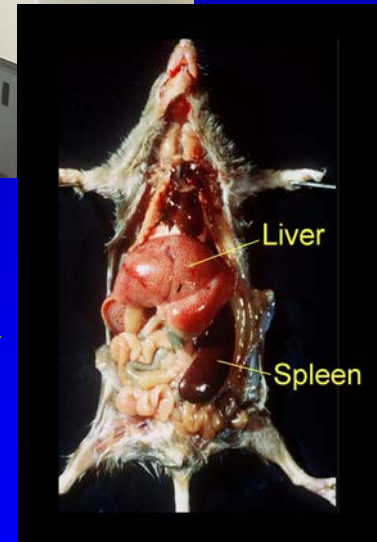
**P.N. Hawkins**

- Supply of highly purified human serum amyloid P-component



## Objectives:

- Develop microSPECT/CT system
- Correlate microSPECT image activity with amyloid burden
- Study progression of amyloidosis in murine models as well as regression in response to novel immunotherapy



NINDS    National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke

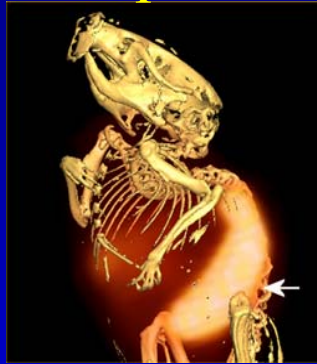
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## AA in murine spleen



Necropsy



SPECT imaging

## $^{125}\text{I}$ -SAP SPECT/CT

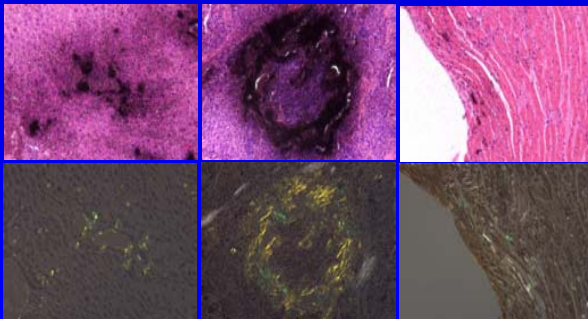


Normal mouse: high threshold



Amyloid mouse: low threshold

## Micro-autoradiography



Liver

Spleen

Heart

Top: autoradiography Bottom: Congo red

## Biodistribution studies

Organ image activity well correlated with percent injected dose per gram.